

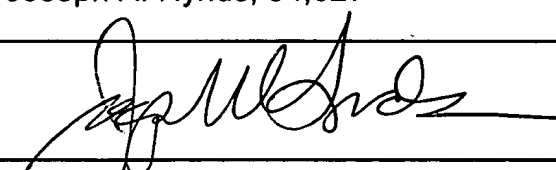
REMARKS

Claims 1-26 remain in this application. Reconsideration of this application is requested.

During a telephone conference with the undersigned on or about September 29, 2005, Examiner Quochien B. Vuong advised that applicants' Amendment/Request for Reconsideration Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.196(b)(1) filed September 11, 2003 had been entered and placed the application in condition for allowance except for minor informalities (including underlining the text of claims 19-26) and the requirement of a Supplemental Declaration. Accordingly, applicants hereby amend the subject claims to correct the minor informalities identified by the Examiner and submit the enclosed Supplemental Declaration for Reissue Patent Application to Correct "Errors" Statement (37 CFR 1.63).

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, applicants respectfully submit that claims 1-26 are in condition for allowance. A Notice of Allowance is therefore earnestly requested.

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